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*cursum honorum militaris* corresponding to the well-known civil *cursum honorum*.

Of Mr. Curtis's article I prefer not to speak, because it awaits action by the classical faculty of Columbia University as Mr. Curtis's dissertation for his doctor's degree.

Mr. Van Buren's paper, which occupies the bulk of the book (180 out of 290 pages) is at once the paper which called for most labor and which will appeal to the smallest circle of students; to the latter, however, it will be of the first importance. Part of the author's prefatory note deserves to be quoted:

The transcription and introduction here presented are the result of an agreement made in the year 1903 between the Vatican Library and the American School of Classical Studies in Rome. At that time the Vatican Library suggested that, as its publication in facsimile of the palimpsest of Cicero's *De Re Publica* was not to be accompanied by a transcription of the under writing, the School would be doing a useful work if it should prepare such a transcription, with an introduction treating of the subjects which were not to be discussed in the Library's publication itself.

The facsimile was published in 1907, at Milan, under the title *Ciceronis Liber De Republica Rescriptus*: Codex Vaticanus 5757. In his introduction (pp. 86-110) Mr. Van Buren furnishes full information concerning the ligatures, abbreviations, syllabic division, and orthographical peculiarities of the text. The remainder of the article gives the transcription of the manuscript, set forth in ordinary Latin type; this transcription is intended to be used in conjunction with the facsimile mentioned above.

Professor Egbert gives an account of a small number of inscriptions specially studied by him during the year in which he was Professor at the School in Rome. These inscriptions come in the main from the Villa Tavazzi at Rome, from Gabii, and from Capua and its neighborhood. One point of interest is that the name of the Mater Matuta, an early Roman goddess, is for the first time found in an inscription coming from Rome itself. C. K.

#### THE NEW YORK LATIN CLUB

The informal meeting of The New York Latin Club for the current year will be held on Saturday, March 5, at 10 a. m., in the Chapel of Teachers College. A full and prompt attendance is requested.

It is expected that Dr. Arcadius Avellanus will address the meeting in explanation of his method of teaching Latin with the Latin language itself as the only method of expression for teacher and pupil. Professor Lodge will also speak on the Oral Method of Teaching Latin. The opportunity to hear Dr. Avellanus is one which should be eagerly welcomed by all teachers and friends of the Classics.

#### THE HUDSON RIVER CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION

The Hudson River Classical Association was organized on Saturday, February 5, in Albany, New York, at the New Kenmore Hotel. The meeting was called under the general direction of The Classical

Association of the Atlantic States. The proceedings began with a luncheon at one o'clock. The Association was then organized by the election of the following officers: President, Principal O. D. Robinson of the Albany High School; Vice Presidents, Professor S. G. Ashmore, Union College, Schenectady, Principal Henry P. Warren of the Albany Academy, Principal Martin T. Walroth of the Troy Academy, and Principal M. J. Carr of the Saratoga High School; Secretary-Treasurer, W. D. Goewey of the Albany High School; Executive Committee, the President, the Secretary-Treasurer, Jared W. Scudder of the Albany Academy, Miss Veda Thompson of the State Education Department at Albany, and Professor John I. Bennett of Union College.

Professor Charles Knapp made an address on Some Phases of Roman Business Life; Miss Agnes R. Davison of the Albany High School read a paper on The New College Entrance Requirements in Latin, and Miss Veda Thompson, under the title Some New Helps for Classical Teachers, spoke of recent new books.

An attendance of 73 interested participants, representing a territory extending from Poughkeepsie to Saratoga and as far west as Utica, promises a successful future for this new organization.

Albany, N. Y.

W. D. GOEWEY, Secretary.

#### THE CLASSICAL ASSOCIATION OF PITTSBURGH AND VICINITY

On Saturday, January 22, The Classical Association of Pittsburgh and Vicinity met at the University of Pittsburgh. A very cordial welcome was received from Dr. Samuel McCormick, Chancellor of the University. There was a symposium on Prose Composition in School and College, outlined as follows: I Purpose: (a) In School, Professor Mark Kishiminetas, Saltsburg, Pa., and Professor Jones of the Allegheny Preparatory School, (b) In College, Dr. John B. Kelso of Grove City College; II The Need of Greek Prose Composition, Principal W. R. Crabbe, Shadyside Academy, Pittsburgh; III Methods: (a) In School, Miss Ruth R. Ealy, Homestead High School, (b) In College, Professor R. B. English, Washington and Jefferson College; IV Results, (a) In School, Miss Effie Sloan, Bellevue High School, (b) In College, Professor H. S. Scribner, University of Pittsburgh.

Miss Mary McCurdy, of the Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh, gave a Latin reading from the *De Amicitia*.

Current topics were presented by Professor B. L. Ullman of the University of Pittsburgh. There was a good exhibition of text books in Latin prose, many of which were furnished by the book companies. There was also an attractive table of rare books from the private library of Professor Ullman, as well as of unique letters written in Latin and autographs of famous authors and well known scholars of today.

A social period followed the programme, in which the members of the Association and their friends were entertained at luncheon by the University of Pittsburgh.

The next meeting will be at Washington and Jefferson College on February 26; at that meeting, we are glad to say, Professor Charles Knapp is to be with us and deliver an address.

Carnegie, Pa.

N. ANNA PETTY, Secretary.

There will be no issue of THE CLASSICAL WEEKLY on Saturday, February 26.